# WEEKLY BULLETIN Week Ending: 8 September 2017

# **KEY SAFETY MESSAGE**

Car Access to the School

Please can I take this opportunity to remind you that when either dropping off or collecting your child from school at the start and end of the school day, you should not drive your car into the main school site. This means that you should not bring your vehicle into the school site from The Banks entrance or into the Bus Park. The safety of children at Toot Hill School is paramount and the increased traffic at The Banks entrance to the school is simply creating a serious risk to student safety. Consequently, we ask that you drop off your child either on Tithby Road or along The Banks away from the main school entrance junction. We will be blockading The Banks entrance to the school site next week in a way that allows only Leisure Centre users and staff to pass here. Many thanks for your anticipated support.

### Welcome to our first weekly bulletin of the 2017 - 18 academic year.

This week in our assemblies we have shared our vision for developing our 'Work Hard: Be Kind' ethos, which is based on promoting traditional qualities: hard work, honesty, consideration for others and a belief that together we can achieve great things.

During extended tutor set time throughout the week we have worked together to establish our high expectations which promote hard work, ambition, commitment and camaraderie so we can all develop into the people we want to be.

We have also celebrated the successes of our GCSE and A Level students who received their results this summer.

### GCSE results:

Year 11 students celebrated some phenomenal results achieved in the new-style GCSEs having shown real resilience as they endured the challenges of the new English and Maths specifications and a new grading system. Staff and students worked tirelessly to secure outstanding results first time through the new system. Progress in all subject areas was once again incredibly strong due to hard work, high quality teaching and a desire to achieve great standards. Well done everyone!

Grade 5 and above in English and Mathematics: 65%

Grade 4 and above in English and Mathematics: 83%

Seven students achieved Grade 9 (higher than an old A\*) in all three new GCSEs, and over 40 grade 9s were achieved overall.

Average Grade: B

## A Level results:

At Toot Hill College we celebrated another year of great A Level success followed by an excellent rate of university and apprenticeship places being secured.

We are very proud to have also secured a 100% pass rate in A Level and vocational courses for a fifth consecutive year.

100% pass rate, covering both A Level and vocational courses.

30% A\*-A (A Level)

89% A\*-C (A Level)

We are delighted with these results and are very proud of all our College students. They have all worked exceptionally hard over the past two years, risen admirably to the challenge of national changes at Key Stage 5, and these excellent results are a testament to their dedication and perseverance. Well done!

As we start a new academic year it is a great time to reset our high aspirations for all of our students and I wish them every success in their studies and wider school life this year.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support in helping us to enable your children to achieve their very best.

Mrs Paley Head of School







